

NEVADA ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE TRUST

Quarterly Stakeholder Call

1:30 PM PST, May 4, 2016

Attendees:	NDEP:	James (JD) Dotchin, Weiquan Dong, James Carlton Parker, Lisa Fleming, Sandi Gotta
	NV AG:	Jasmine Mehta
	EPA:	Alison Fong
	CAP:	David Johnson, Scott Bryan
	SNWA:	Todd Tietjen
	MWD:	Jill Teraoka, Eric Fordham, Mickey Chaudhuri, Sun Liang
	COH:	Brenda Pohlman
	NERT:	Jay Steinberg, Andrew Steinberg, Steve Clough, Mark Hatch
	Ramboll Environ:	Allan DeLorme, John Pekala, Kim Kuwabara
	Tetra Tech:	Derek Amidon, Dan Pastor
	Foley & Lardner LLP:	Tanya O'Neill
	AECOM:	Harry Van Den Berg
	OTHERS:	Peggy Roeper

1. Opening remarks. JD presented the opening remarks. It was noted that the subject of Perchlorate Source Quantification was still being discussed. The Trust is in contact with DOD, DOJ and EPA to verify the need to quantify perchlorate from AMPAC and any other contributors. Jill Teraoka asked about the Phase 1 results. JD explained that the initial results confirmed the understanding of the existing data. An update will be provided during the next stakeholder call scheduled for August 3rd.
2. Financial Update. Jay Steinberg presented the slide regarding Asset Consulting Group (ACG). Jay gave details about the need for and the resulting search for the investment consultant. Jill Teraoka asked about the start date for ACG and Jay replied it would be either May 1st or May 15th. Mark Hatch proceeded to provide the update on trust assets. It was confirmed that the current balance in the equities accounts includes the first instalment of the planned 6-month cost averaging plan. Under the DOD demands column, the amount shown includes the recent receipt of the 2014 claim amount, paid in full. Future DOD claims may be reduced to account for costs related to clean-up of a portion of the AMPAC perchlorate contamination commingled with the plume originating at the NERT site.
3. Remedial Investigation. Initial comments provided by Andrew Steinberg. Steve Clough presented the update on specific tasks. Under task 1.2, it was noted that all field investigations were complete except for 8 AP-5 Pond area soil borings. This exception was repeated as it related to task 1.4. Dan Pastor presented the update on Soils Investigation for Units 4 and 5. With regard to the Unit 4 Cell Building Demolition, Dan stated that there has been no mobilization of perchlorate or chromium into the air above

regulatory limits to date. Additionally, some chromium encrusted pipes were discovered that will be disposed of appropriately.

4. RI: Downgradient Study Area. This section was presented by Carlton Parker. The task 140 sampling was noted as being nearly complete. The task 150 (Initial Surface Water Sampling) was said to be mobilizing “next week.” For task 160 (Geophysical Pilot Test), a work plan was going to be distributed. Eric Fordham asked if there would be an opportunity to work with other vendors. JD Dotchin responded that yes, additional vendors could be used to bolster the investigation. Mickey Chaudhuri asked for more details on Task 160. Harry Van Den Berg provided greater details on the task. Mickey asked if it dovetails with Ramboll Environ’s work. Harry answered that this was just the pilot test but that it would be shared with Ramboll Environ somewhere down the road. JD noted that a work plan for further geophysical investigation would be developed in 2017. Andrew Steinberg closed the loop by saying that all the work will be consolidated into a single RI Report.
5. Remedial Investigation: Phase 2. John Pekala presented the slides on the NERT RI Data Gaps. Jill Teraoka asked for clarification regarding “Trespassing DNAPL.” John explained it appeared to be coming from the “Montrose Site.” Jill wanted to know about seeking reimbursement. JD Dotchin answered that there needed to be more data first then the parties can evaluate the next steps regarding potential reimbursement for clean-up costs. Jill wanted to know if the Trust was currently tracking those costs to which Andrew Steinberg said the Trust was. John continued presenting the slides related to the data gaps off site. Jill asked about the location of the “Pittman Neighbourhood” and it was identified as the area just to the north of the NERT site. Eric Fordham asked if the VOCs were chlorinated hydrocarbons. John said it was chloroform. JD replied that onsite it was a chlorobenzene DNAPL. Eric asked if the transport was enhanced by the well fields. JD said that was doubtful. John continued with the presentation of the Phase 2 Investigation followed by Steve Clough who presented the next steps, key documents and the remedial program schedule. It was noted that the schedule had no significant changes from the prior edition that was distributed.
6. NERT Continuous Optimization Program. Steve Clough presented the Objectives, Initiatives and the schedule. Mickey Chaudhuri asked whether the COP will reduce loading to the wash? Steve said yes, through a two-prong approach: Through implementation of the Groundwater Bioremediation Pilot Study (estimated reduction of 31 lbs/day) or potentially expanding the Seep Well Field east to capture more of the perchlorate reaching the wash.
7. NERT GWETS Status. Steve Clough presented the key components status, an update on the amount of perchlorate removed from the environment, followed by Andrew Steinberg updating the status of the comprehensive GWETS Audit. The preliminary results show that the “GWETS physical condition and Envirogen’s staff and operation of the plant are all generally acceptable.” Andrew continued by providing an update regarding the SNWA Weir Dewatering Project. Steve discussed the 2016 permit modifications status. Dan Pastor presented the section on the 2014 Enhanced Metrics project and indicated that the project was complete. Dan continued on to the AP-5 Solids Removal project. Jay

Steinberg asked for a projected length of time to process all the sludge. Dan indicated that there were too many variables to consider in order to provide an accurate estimate.

8. Conclusion. Andrew Steinberg briefly discussed a Summer Stakeholder Technical Roundtable Meeting, potentially in mid-June, to discuss the Phase 4 Groundwater Model. Some discussion indicated that a late-June date would be preferable. Next Stakeholder call to be held on August 3rd.

No further questions so the meeting was adjourned.